



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5142***

LCO No. 801

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:  
(INS)

***AN ACT REQUIRING THE INCLUSION OF PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS ON HEALTH INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARDS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-472f of the 2012 supplement to the general  
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
3 (*Effective January 1, 2013*):

4 (a) Each insurer, health care center, managed care organization or  
5 other entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or  
6 continues an individual or group health insurance policy or medical  
7 benefits plan, and each preferred provider network, as defined in  
8 section 38a-479aa, that contracts with a health care provider, as defined  
9 in section 38a-478, for the purposes of providing covered health care  
10 services to its enrollees, shall maintain a network of such providers  
11 that is consistent with the National Committee for Quality Assurance's  
12 network adequacy requirements or URAC's provider network access  
13 and availability standards.

14 (b) Each insurer, health care center, managed care organization or  
15 other entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or

16 continues an individual or group health insurance policy or medical  
17 benefits plan shall include on any identification card issued to an  
18 enrollee for such policy or plan the name of the enrollee's primary care  
19 provider.

20 Sec. 2. Section 38a-478d of the 2012 supplement to the general  
21 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
22 (*Effective January 1, 2013*):

23 For any contract delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended  
24 or continued in this state, each managed care organization shall:

25 (1) Provide at least annually to each enrollee a listing of all  
26 providers available under the provisions of the enrollee's enrollment  
27 agreement, in writing or through the Internet at the option of the  
28 enrollee;

29 (2) Include, under a separate category or heading, participating  
30 advanced practice registered nurses in the listing of providers  
31 specified under subdivision (1) of this section; [and

32 (3) For a managed care plan that requires the selection of a primary  
33 care provider:

34 (A)] (3) Allow an enrollee to designate a participating, in-network  
35 physician or a participating, in-network advanced practice registered  
36 nurse as such enrollee's primary care provider; and

37 [(B)] (4) Provide notification, as soon as possible, to each such  
38 enrollee upon the termination or withdrawal of the enrollee's primary  
39 care provider.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2013</i>	38a-472f
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2013</i>	38a-478d

***Statement of Purpose:***

To require an insurer, health care center, managed care organization or other entity that delivers, issues for delivery, renews, amends or continues a health insurance policy or medical benefits plan to include the name of an enrollee's primary care provider on any identification card issued to the enrollee for such policy or plan.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*